BUSINESS CHANGES.

As this is an opportunity which will probably never again present itself to the buyers of this city, it should be taken advantage of by every purchaser of ciothing in Topeia. Mail orders accompanied by the cash will receive our prompt and careful attention. ETTENSON'S Square Dealing Ciothing Company, 483 Kansas avenue. Opposite postoffice.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

I AM a candidate for clerk of the district court, subject to the Republican nomination.

JOSIAH JORDAN.

AM a candidate for clerk of the district court.

A. F. CHESNEY.

H ALE RITCHIE, candidate for clerk of the district court, subject to the Republican

I AM a candidate for clerk of the district court subject to the decision of the Republican primaries.

E. M. COCKRELL.

Dr. A. M. Callahan is a candidate for clerk of district court, subject to the Republican nom-

RENTS! SITUATIONS! REAL ESTATE!

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SITUATIONS WANTED-FREE.

Are you in need of work? If so, you are at liberty to use these columns for assistance in that direction. While this notice appears the STATE JOURNAL will publish free on Saturday, Monday and Tuesday, for Topeka or Kansas people, all notices of "Situations Wanted," not exceeding five lines, or thirty-five words, in length. Provided that all advertisements of this nature are handed in previous to ten o'clock Saturday morning; also on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, all advertising of this class handed in by ten o'clock Wednesday morning.

Morning.

No advertisements of this nature to be started except on Saturdays and Wednesdays. No obligation is incurred on the part of the advertiser. No worthy and needy man or woman need hesitate to take advantage of this offer. No one in business or having employment is expected to take advantage of it, but all others invited to avail themselves freely.

WANTED-SITUATIONS.

WANTED-By colored man, job as porter in hotel, barber shop or private family. Ad-dress "J. T.," Journal office,

WANTED-A job by W. M. Brown at labor of any kind; good reference. Address Brown, Journal office.

Wanted-Work of any kind by a bey 15 years old; would rather work in country. Address "A. S.," care Journal.

WANTED-Middle aged lady as housekeeper for widower or hotel, or some light work, so she could go home at night. Address House-keeper, Journal office.

WANTED—By a good strong boy, 15 years of age, a place to work, either in country or city; is handy at almost anything. Call or adcity; is handy at aimo dress 916 Kansas ave.

Wanted-Sursing to do by an elderly lady with years of experience. Address M. A. F., 430 Lafayette street, Topeka, Kan.

NOTICES OF MEETINGS.

CHEVALIERS, ATTENTION—All chevaliers of Canton Topeka No. 3 are ordered to ap-peat in full dress at the hall this evening at 7:30 for muster. T. H. Haskell, captain.

WANTED-HELP

WANTED-Girl to general housework in family of two. Call 1305 West st., Mrs. F.

WANTED—To rent a 4 or Aroom house, with established cash trade. Address with particulars Box C, Maple Hill, Kan.

WANTED—Boarders, 83 per week, good ta-WANTED-Boarders, 83 per week, good ta-ble; also rooms to let, furnished or unfur-nished; 700 Topeka avenue.

WANTED-Good country butter weekly; duck eggs occasionally; 1364 Buchanan st.

WANTED-Horses to pasture at Vinewood Park. Inquire 215 East Tenth st.

WANTED-To trade four inside lots situated in good town for a horse and buggy.

Address 1701 Buchanan street.

WANTED-A high grade safety bicycle in good condition. E. Pugh, Tanner & Bros. WANTED-Stock to pasture. Good pasture, miles east of North Topeka on the Grantville road. Terms reasonable. Inquire at Jones & Whitney's milk depot, 121 West Sixth st.

WANTED-To trade the equity in two lots or three clear lots for carpenter work and material. Inquire 288 Woodiawn ave,

WANTED-Roomers and boarders at the Carter House, 400 and 402 Quincy street. The house has changed hands, the rooms are large and well ventilated. Good board, if desired. Bath room free. Mrs. A. P. Barnes.

WANTED-To rent a typewriter for one month. Address with particulars "B. B.," this office.

WANTED-People to know that they can get fresh buttermik and sweet cream every day from buttermik wagon or at 725 Lane st. Wanted-Your old carpets to clean, refit and lay; also unhoistering and furniture repairing etc. Trusdeit, leath and Jackson.

WANTED-5,000 people to come to 220 East Fifth street for their painting and paper

Wanteb-Good city loans; have some money and can loan on second mortgage.
G. P. KINCADE, 4-9 Kansas ave. WANTED-Gasoline stoves to repair at tin shop; 810 Kansas avenue. G, G, Lee,

WANTED-To trade a phaeton for a good light delivery wagon. Vincent Kaczynski, 4th and Jackson.

WANTED-To buy a second hand wagon. V Kaczynski, 4th and Jackson. WANTED-Some small real estate loans.

WANTED-Watches, clocks and umbrellas to repair at 7st hausas ave., upstairs. WANTAD-To move, STORE or ship house-

bold goods, freight, etc.

SAIN & SKINNER, 123 E. 6th St.,

MERCHANIS' TRANSFER & STORAGE CO. WANTED-Oh! you never heard of tin ware so cheap. hiverside store, 722 Kansas ave.

WANTED-You to go to the Riverside store and save your money. 722 hansas ave.

FOR SALE-PERSONAL PROPERTY FOR SALE—Choice suburban tracts of 5 acres or more, adjoining the city on the west, at prices ranging from \$125 to \$175 per acre. One third cash.

W. M. FORBES,
Sole Agent.

FOR SALE—An 3-room house, well, eistern and city water; one lot and a haif. Will sell cheap. Reasons for selling, owner is going to leave the city. Inquire 507 Polk street. FOR SALE-Three good wainut bookeases, inquire of T. J. Kellam, Merchants' Na-tional bank.

FOR SALE-Gentle horse, phaeton, single harness, cheap; 1324 Dillon st. TOR SALE-A lumber wagon; 627 Lake st.

FOR SALE—Lunch room doing good paying business. Call 716 Kansas avenue. FOR SALE—Furniture in eleven completely furnished rooms. The rooms are also for rent; a place where you can make money. Also show cases, conducters, one peanut roaster. Inquire at 303 Kansas ave.

FOR SALE-Good gentle family horse. In-quire at Abe Steinberg, 606 Kansas ave.

FOR SALE-A good single harness and cart cheap at 914 West Sixth st. FOR SALE-Number of good cows, corner Thomas and Chester, Oakland.

FOR SALE—Work horses and registered Hol-stein yearlings buil, at the orehard Six-teenth street and Kansas avenue.

FOR SALE—Fresh cows for sale at all times— Jerseys, Holstein and Shorthorn, at Union stockyards, North Topeks. FOR SALE—A good phaeton in good condition. Vincent Kaczynski, 4th and Jackson. FOR SALE—No. 8 washboiler, worth \$1.50, now 850. Riverside store, 722 Kansas ave.

FOR SALE-MISCELLANEOUS. FOR SALE—A restaurant and lunch room doing a good business and well located. Small capital required. Inquire for advertiser at Journal office between 11 and 12 o'clock.

FOR SALE-Short time loans at 12 per cent interest. Simon Greenspan. FOR REAL estate or rental property see Benedict & Co., 601 Kansas ave. FOR SALE OR TRADE—My beautiful home,

FOR SALE-Gilt edge first mortgages, 7, 8, 9, 10 per cent. Simon Greenspan.

FOR RENT-HOUSES.

FOR RENT-Part of a house in Potwin Place. Water, gas, hot air, etc. Call at 288 Woodawn avenue.

FOR RENT-Nice small house and barn, 434 Lafayette st. Enquire next door. FOR RENT-A good six room house. Inquire of Dr. Roby. 118 West 6th st.

FOR RENT-ROOMS.

FOR RENT-One pleasant unfurnished room with closet, cheap; 714 Jackson st.

FOR RENT-A suit of two rooms, nicely furnished, for one month, \$15. Inquire 412 West Seventh st. FOR RENT-Furnished parlor bedroom with board; suitable for two gentlemen; 901

FOR RENT-Furnished rooms. Inquire at 222 East Eighth ave.

FOR SALE OR TRADE.

FOR TRADE-For good young mare, three spring covered wagons, one-horse lumber wagon, one medium size fire proof safe. Apply 621 Jefferson st.

FOR TRADE-Three-acre tract, near city, for good driving team. Inquire Topeka Steam

TO EXCHANGE—Fine lot on Carnado Beach, San Diego, Cala., near hotel, for a good horse and surrey. Address, "Lot," Journal.

LOST AND FOUND.

L OST—Solitaire diamond ring, with names in a small brass box. Finder return to 313 East Eighth street and receive reward.

FOUND—The piace to have plumbing done;▲
Allen, 808 Kansas ave. Tel. 888.

MISCELLANEOUS.

TO THE LADIES—House cleaning simplified by using Fosdick's Harmona, a practical method of cleaning all kinds of high grade car-pets and rugs without removing them from the

floor.

This method as practiced by me is thorough and gives satisfaction wherever used. Harmola is what is known as Mexican Soap Root, and is one of the principal ingredients in my preparation. I guarantee satisfaction or no pay. Address me at 307 Chandler street, and I will call and arrange for your work. Respectfully.

J. H. FOSDICK.

THE finest varity of posies in the city at the Potwin greenhouses, corner Eimwood and Willow ave. Hiram Huise.

A BARGAIN-Choice 10 or 15 acres of unim-

A proved land for sale immediately, three miles north of Topeka. Call first house north of Rochester school house, or address M. U. Hughes, North Topeka, Kan.

3 a day made, steady employment guaranteed selling a Household necessity and new, cheap Kitchen Utensil. Sell on sight, Salary or commission. Particulars free. Clifton Soap & Mig. Co., 363 Wainut st., Cincinnate, O.

DRACTICAL PIANO TUNER-Years of fac

WILLIAM DWIGHT CHURCH—Analytical and Metallurgical Chemist and Assayer. Examination of mineral deposits and mines. Offices: Denver, Colo., Prescott, Ariza.

MRS. E. K. Lil.LY, nurse, can be found at

STRAYED OR STOLEN.

TRAYED-A dark brown mare with a heavy

Description band ball, in good order and weight about 1900 pounds. Information at room 22, Columbian ballding, will be properly rewarded by E. W. Poindexter.

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FRENCH TISSUE PAPERI

THE LARGEST LINE IN THE CITY.

ALL CHINA AND ART MATERIAL

COMPLETE NEWS DEPARTMENT.

Washburn, Druggist,

883 KANSAS AVE

styles, all warranted. Culver & Bailey, hardware agents for Topeka, 828 Kas. ave.

It cures blood and skin disorders. It

does this quickly and permanently. Is

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Creates health, creates strength, creates vigor: De Witt's Sarsaparilla. It recommends itself. J. K. Jones.

Peerless Steam Laundry at 112 and 114

612 W. Eighth avenue. Try it.

"Quick Meal" Gasoline stoves; six

COMPANY.

P. P. BACON, Prop.

Tele. 320

TOPEKA

tory experience. S. Tracy, 701 Kansas ave.

TO THE REPUBLICAN VOTERS of Shaw-The Refublican voters of Shawnee County.—I will be a candidate for the office of clerk of the district court of Shawnee county, at the Republican primaries this spring. I have lived in Kansas all my life, always worked zealously for the success of the Republican party, and have never before been a candidate for office. If chosen for this responsible position, I promise the most efficient and faithful attention to the duties of the office.

H. J. ADAMS, Attorney, 111 East Eighth St., Topeka. FOR RENT-Three rooms for housekeeping to adults, 2% blocks from electric station. Address Z, this office. FOR RENT.—Three unfurnished rooms, first floor, suitable for general housekeeping.

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ination, 1894.

NOTICES.

NOTICE—To whom it may concern:—Be it known that our petition is on file in the probate court asking for a permit to sell intoxicating liquors at No. 523 Kansas avenue, in the Fourth ward of the city of Topeka. Hearing for same is set for May 19th at 9 a. m.

SWIFT & HOLLIDAY.

NOTICE—To whom it may concern:—Be it known that my petition is on file in the probate court asking for a permit to sell intoxicating liquors at No. 823 Kansas avenue, in the Third ward of the city of Topeka. Hearing for the same is set for May 1st, at 9 a. m.

H. M. Washburn, March 31, 1894.

NOTICE—To whom it may concern:—Be it known that my petition is on file in the probate court asking for a permit to sell infoxicating liquors at No. 200 Monroe street, in the Second ward of the city of Topeka. Hearing for the same is set for May 5th, at 9 a. m.

James L. Brown. April 4, 1894.

NOTICE—To whom it may concern:—Be it known that my petition is on file in the office of the probate judge of Shawnee county, Kansas, asking for a permit to sell intoxicating liquors at 422 West Sixth street, Topeka, Shawnee county, Kansas. Hearing is set for the 24th day of April, 1894, at 9 a. m. W. F. KUNZ. Topeka, Kansas, March 21, 1894.

MONEY TO LOAN.

I desire several real estate loans to fill special orders. Loans made in any amount from \$100 upwards. Parties having money to loan are invited to write or call at my office. I am furnishing investors very choice loans. I. L. Betzer, 519 Kansas ave., Dudley's bank.

MONEY to loan on bonds, mortgages or personni notes. SIMON GREENSPAN.

G OOD notes and mortgages bought and sold.
Simon GREENSPAN. PARTIES wishing a sate and paying invest-ment for their money, call at once on S. M. Wood & Co. 534 Kansas ave.

ARCHITECT. TOSEPH MARSHALL,

Architect and Superintendent, 1004 KANSAS AVENUE

WHITE WINGS DEMOCRATS.

Great Efforts Being Made To Harmonize Colorado Democrats. DENVER, April 26 .- Efforts are being

made to harmonize the two wings of the Democratic party in this state before the fall election. The chairmen of the two committees have sent letters to all members asking for their views and meetings will soon be called to decide what shall be done.

Some of the "white wings" (Cleveland Democrats) favor combination with the Republicans against the Populists, and some of the other wing believe an alliance with the Populists should be made.

DRUNK WITH POWER.

The Judiciary Gives Another Instance of Its Desire to Run the County . OKLAHOMA CITY, O. T., April 26.— Judge Henry W. Scott of the district court has sentenced J. J. Burke and E. E. Brown, publishers of the Daily Times-Journal of this city, to the county jail for ten days and to pay a fine of \$200 each for contempt of court, for commenting

upon his judicial character. A great sensation was created. The judge refused to allow an appeal and both newspaper men are in jail.

THEY'LL GET EIGHT HOURS The Eight Hour Bill Beaches Its Second Reading in Parliament.

LONDON, April 26 .- In the house of commons the eight-hour bill for miners, introduced by John H. Robins, Liberal member for Lancashire, passed its second reading by a vote of 281 to 194. This measure was not considered a party question and the ministers voted

according to their individual opinion. NEW YORK BANK CLOSED. The Harlem River Bank Shut Up by the State Examiner.

New York, April 26.—The Harlem River bank was closed by State Examiner Judson today. The statement of the bank's condition March 1, 1894, shows an increase of \$40,000 in the indebtedness of the bank since March 1, 1893, and a decrease of about \$10,000 in the undivided profits.

There will be little or no loss to deposi-

HERE'S A REMEDY.

A Missouri Woman Suggests a Prayer For the Coxey Craze.

CHANGE OF BUSINESS SALE—Owing to a change to take place in our business we are compelled to reduce our stock which is the largest and most complete line of Men and Children's clothing and Gents Furnishing goods in the city. Every article in our establishment shares this great reduction in price nothing re-served. Gov. Lewelling has received the following anonymous letter postmarked Bevier, Mo., and written in a lady's hand:

in the city. Every article in our establishment shares this great reduction in price nothing reserved.

For \$5.00 we will sell a nice light colored apring sult usually sold for \$2.00.

For \$8.75 we are showing a fine line of Chevlotts, Cassimere and Worsted suits cut in the latest style, and well made, regular price of these goods \$12 and \$14.00.

For \$16.00 we give you your choice of any \$21 and \$24 suits in the house.

For \$2 cents we self you a child's Knee Pants suit, ages 4 to 14. regular price \$1.75.

For \$2.50 a fine Scotch or Worsted suit sold by others for \$4.00 and \$5.00.

Our \$4.50 Boy's suits include all the latest styles and nobby patterns in the market! Ask for them. Men's Baibriggan Underwear, all colors, worth \$1.25 a suit. Sale price \$5 cents.

Men's hats in all the latest shapes, sold by other nouses for \$3.00. Our price \$1.50.

Men's heavy cloth pants well made, worth \$1.75.

Sale price \$1.00.

Men's Fine Dress Pants; we have the most complete line of these goods in the city.

All goods usually sold \$5.50, \$6 and \$7, we are now offering for \$4.50. Don't fail to see this.

We have a full and well selected stock of men's summer shirts which it will pay to see.

Our line of trunks and valless share this same reduction.

As this is an opportunity which will probably DEAR GOVERNOR:-Our nation seems on the verge of a revolution. Will you appoint a day of fasting and prayer if it may be April 30. Earnest united prayer will avert the evil. "Our Father" is the God of nations. He has delivered us from peril in times past. He will deliver today. If as stated we honor him by our united prayers He will lead us out of the darkness into light, out of strife into prosperity. Let us call upon him. Let us pray, not for power or for party, but for the honor of his name. Who has so led this nation in all its past

You are a believer in prayer. I remember well when by a day of fasting in Kansas and Missouri, the plague of grasshoppers was stayed-indeed it fied, no man knew where.

WOULDN'T WAIT FOR HER. Why Mrs. Lease Isn't at Present at the

Reform School Investigation. In regard to the demand of Mrs. Lease that the Reform school investigation be

postponed until she could be present, President Householder of the board of charities, said today: "As soon as I received Mrs. Lease's

telegram asking for the postponement of the investigation, I immediately wrote her a letter, telling her that I had not called the special meeting for the investigation, but that it was called and the time fixed by the board at its last regular meeting, and I have no power to postpone it."

THE SMALLPOX EPIDEMIC. Two More Chicago Schools Closed on Account of It.

CHICAGO, Ill., April 26.—The Kershaw school at Winter and Sixty-fourth streets, was ordered closed today on account of the smallpox. The Longfellow school on Throop street near Nineteenth, is also reported closed for the same reason.

A building at 98 Louisiana avenue has been secured for a temporary smallpox hospital. It will be placed in charge of the visiting nurses' association. Smallpox has become epidemic in the district between Ashland avenue and Halstead streets south of the 47th street.

GETTING IN A HURRY.

The Senate Will Now Sit Until 6 O'clock Daily.

WASHINGTON, April 26 .- An hour in the senate was spent in a heated discussion of Mr. Allen's resolution condemning the district commissioners regarding the Coxeyites coming to the capital. Mr. Harris' resolution that the senate

sit until 6 p. m. daily for consideration of the tariff bill, was passed. Mr. Peffer desired to continue debate on the Allen resolution, but was over-ruled by the senate, and Mr. Higgins, of Delaware, took the floor, speaking on

the tariff bill. Odd Fellows Celebrating. KANSAS CITY, April 26.—About 1,000 uniformed Odd Fellows are in the city today from all over Missouri and Kansas.

They will celebrate here the seventyfifth anniversary of the founding of their His mother was too wise to say that society. The local cantons escorted the visiting brothers on parade, and afterwards all assembled at the Auditorium, where the afternoon exercises were held. Senate Will Meet at 11.

WASHINGTON, April 26 .- Senator Harris, this afternoon moved to take up his resolution, changing the hour of meeting at 11 o'clock each day. A yea and nay vote was called for. Many Republicans voted in the affirmative and it was agreed to, 54 to 6.

Shopmen Go to Work. MINNEAPOLIS, April 26 .- A St. Cloud special to the Journal says the Great Northern shopmen there nearly all re-turned to work today. They claimed they quit yesterday under threats of violence from the strikers.

Plumbers Get \$3.75 a Day. CHICAGO, April 26.—The plumbers strike is settled and 1,800 journeymen plumbers of Chicago will return to work Monday morning. The men concede some minor points and the bosses grant

them \$3.75 a day. Union Pacific Arcivals. B. A. Patton, Silver Lake: E. P. Baker, city; Orrin T. Welsh, city; C. F. Kimbail, city; W. C. Merritt, Wamego; A. B. Pomeroy, Westmoreland; R. S. Hick, Escondido, Cal.; W. F. Gilluly, Oska-loosa; G. S. Maxwell, Ft. Worth; G. H. Harris, Ft. Scott; R. Fitchel, Cincinnati; W. F. Guthrie, Atchison; D. N. Weil, New York; J. P. Lawrie, Chicago; H. H. Beal, Clay Center; J. W. Sanders, Sharon Springs; T. L. Ewan, Mrs. C. B. Maxwell and Miss Fannie Maxwell, city.

The Great Rock Island Boute. Lowest rates everywhere. Best track, fastest time, finest cars. Solid vestibuled trains, with through sleepers. H. O. GARVEY,

City Ticket and Passenger Agent, 601 Kansas avenue, Topeka, Kan.

De Witt's Sarsaparilla is prepared for cleansing the blood from impurities and disease. It does this and more. It builds up and strengthens constitutions impared by disease. It recommends itself. J. K. Jones.

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VINEWOOD AND HIGHLAND PARK STREET RAILWAY.

Trains will leave Monroe Street station week days for Vinewood as follows: 6:45, 9:19, 11:51, 8:07, 5:41.

Trains will leave Vinewood for Monroe street at 7:57, 10:31, 1:02, 4:19, 6:50. BUNDAY TRAINS.

Leave Monroe street 8:02, 9:19, 10:36, 11:51, 1:50, 3:07, 4:24, 5:41.
Leave Vinewood 8:42, 9:50, 11:16, 12:30, 2:30, 8:47, 5:04, 6:24.
Extra Sunday trains will be run according to company orders. Pocket edition time table will be issued in near future.

For the Ladies.

Have you handsome paper and envelopes for correspondence? Did you ever try Hake's—put up in neat boxes—White Rose, Chamois Skin and Velvet brands, ruled and unruled?

Beautiful French and Crepe Tissue, all colors, for shades, ornaments, etc.

J. K. JONES, Drugs and Stationery,



and a rub to her gloves. "All ready, John," she answered.

Her home, Grassnook, was far more charming than is the ordinary farmhouse. It was low, rambling, gabled, with all kinds of cunning windows, and odd shaped rooms. And within it was the embodiment of quaint comfort and shining cleanliness. Its mistress was 60, round, rosy, old-fashioned, with the kindest eyes, and the prettiest little neat ways, and the most heartsome smile a body ever be-

"Seems like I was going away for a year, instead of two weeks," she remarked, as John drove her to the depot in the phaeton he had purchased ter from Medora. It sounded really pitiful."

held.

John closed his handsome, stubborn lips, and remained silent.

"I said, if you remember John, that we, living here in plenty, couldn't realize the struggle she found it in the city to support herself and the children on the paltry income, which was all they had from poor Peter's estate. Then she put it pretty plain, what she wanted me to do. Send her a handsome sum, or promise to leave her Grassnook and my share of the property. Wasn't that it, John?" He smiled grimly.

"You never liked Medora, John." Medora was the daughter of a distant cousin of Mrs. Rycliffe. Seven years previous she had come to live at factory-quite. Really, I shall rec-Grassnook. She had been practically adopted by Mrs. Rycliffe, and treated with all affection. But, after numerous attempts to capture the heart of John Rycliffe, she had married the loud-voiced, showily-clad drummer for sleeves for the price named. These a New York eigar house, and had gone to the city to live. Of late Mrs. Rycliffe had received many letters from her, bewailing her husband's inability to get work, her own hard life. and her conviction that "auntie" would do toward her what was kind and right. The latest letter had been so much more importunate and imperative than usual, Mrs. Rycliffe had decided to answer it in person.

"I never could think her sincere, mother. She always appeared to me scheming, selfish and hypocritical."

which was on her mind-namely, that John had been indifferent to Medora, and to all other women since the year before Medora's advent at Grassnook, the girl on whom he had lavished the most passionate love of a strong nature, had thrown him over for a man whom he knew to be in every sense of

the word, his inferior. "Won't Medora be surprised to see me, though?" chirped Mrs. Rycliffe, as she and her son stood waiting for the train. "I always said to her I'd never go another journey by rail, and here I am doing it. Well, good-by, John. Be sure you water the house plants,



"AH! AN IMPOSTOR, I SER." and give Snowdrop her milk regularly,

and see that the shutters are fixed so they don't slam and break the glass. Good-bye, John." And then she was whirling away to

the great city. "Be you going to New York, Mrs. Rycliffe?" queried a voice behind her. "Yes," turning to face a neighbor.

'You're going to see Sarah Jane's new baby, I suppose, Mrs. Ryan?" "Yes'm. You ain't forgot Elsie Cameron, I dare say?"

"No," answered, Mrs. Rycliffe, stirred by the resentment the thought of Elsie invariably aroused. Why couldn't the girl have married her fine son, and been a daughter to her?

"It 'ud be a charity," declared Mrs. Ryan, "if you'd go to see her. I heerd as how her husband was dead, and she had a child to support, and wasn't overstrong. She'd be mighty glad to see you. Here," scribbling a line on a crumpled envelope she fished out of her pocket, "is where Sarah Jane said she lived."

"The poor thing!" ejaculated Mrs. Rycliffe, her kindly spirit touched. Yes, I'll go."

When she arrived in New York she gave a cabman both addresses, her niece's and Elsle Payne's. "Drive me to the nearest first," she

And the nearest happened to be a tall, dreary tenement-house, in a narrow, dingy street. She found Elsie out yourself!"

in a bare, clean, little sky-high room. Pretty, gay, rose-cheeked Elsie Cameron! Not gay, nor rose-cheeked now, but slender, pale and still very daintily fair to look upon. She wore a black gown. A beautiful child clung to her hand.

"Oh, Mrs. Rycliffe!" she cried. The sight of the dear old face was precious after her long exile among strangers. She kissed her guest, drew her in, took off her bonnet, and made her a cup of tea, all the time full of words of welcome, and of inquiry, but not once mentioning her own poverty, which everything in the room pro-

"How are you getting on, is what I want to know," the old lady said,

straightforwardly. "Oh, I manage. I do plain sewing, you know. Sometimes I find it hard to get all I can do, but a week ago a lady called and left me an order that has kept me busy since. She asked my prices for making plain garments, and I mentioned them, but the materials were accompanied by directions for much elaborate work! Of course, I have no doubt she will pay me what my labor was worth. You may see it."

She displayed four nainsook dressing-sacques, having insertions of Torchon lace, clusters of tiny tucks, and hemstitched ruffles. Mrs. Rycliffe expressed her admiration. "What do you ask for them?"

"When they are quite plain, twentyfor her particular benefit. "But I five cents each, but as these have so feel as if I ought to go, after that let-much work, I thought fifty would not be too much to ask.

"Well! I should think that pretty cheap. Hark!" There was a step in the passage

without. "That is my customer, I suppose. She said she would call to-day. Don't

stir." But Mrs. Rycliffe vanished behind the cretonne screen that partitioned off the oil-stove and few cooking utensils from the rest of the room. There was a tear in the eretonne, however, and she saw the person who entered, a large, florid woman, attired in a furred cloth skirt, a coat of many capes, a flaring hat on which blackbirds bobbed, and yellow kid gloves.

"Ah! the work is done. Yes, satisommend you. A dollar, I believe. There it is."

"Mrs. Pugh," remonstrated the seamstress, "I said I would make those with only ruffles at neck and are worth at least fifty cents each. The sewing on them has taken me a week.

Her patron turned from the door to freeze her with a stare. "Ah! an impostor, I see-like all of your class! You make one contract, and demand pay that was not stipula-

ted. I shall not again employ you." With which appalling threat she swept away. Little Mrs. Rycliffe came out from

behind the screen, white and trembling. "What a wicked woman, Elsie!" she cried.

Elsie smiled faintly. "They are not all so unjust," she said, trying to speak cheerily. Dusk was closing in when Mrs. Rycliffe reached the house of her niece, a showy, imposing house. Her mistress, the servant said, was at the matinee. Would the visitor wait? Mrs. Rycliffe sat down in a chair in a corner of the parlor, waiting, nodded, fell fast asleep. She was awakened by a man's angry tone, demanding with an oath, if he was ever to

have any supper. The next instant Medora's voice admonished him. "You must wait. I've just got in from the matinee. Don't scold. I didn't buy my ticket out of the grocer's money. A woman did four dollars' worth of sewing for me. I paid her, and had a good time out of the amount saved. Why, Aunt-is it

Aunt Mary?" Mrs. Rycliffe rose with a stiff effort.

She was cramped and tired. "I think it is," she replied, dryly. For four days was Mrs. Rycliffe the guest of Mrs. Pugh. And she saw more than the interview with Elsie, to convince her she was under no obligation to give money or its equivalent to Medora. She saw an extravagant, ill-regulated household, where prevailed all manner of schemes to make a show of opulence, and all kinds of petty subterfuges to evade responsibility and payment of just debts. She saw a selfish man and woman, both devoid of any sense of rectitude and honor. When she announced her intention of going home,

Medora said: "As soon as the weather gets a little warmer, we shall go down to Grassnook, and spend several months with

you and dear John." "I'm afraid I sha'n't have room,"the elder woman declared. "Elsie Payne is coming home with me."

"Elsie - Payne!" she repeated, blankly. "Yes-you've heard of her as Elsie Cameron. She's been doing some plain sewing for you, I believe. I was

there the day you called and paid for those sacques.' John was at the train to meet his mother, Elsie, and the child. He kissed his mother, and the baby, and held Elsie's hand a long time.

"I'm glad you have come," he said, simply. A wave of the old rose-bloom flickered in her pale cheek. She looked up at him, thinking how handsoms

and manly he had grown. "Thank you," she said. There are those that assert that there is to be a wedding at Grassnook. when the May flowers blow. At all events, the quartet there is a very happy one. And if plaintive tales of woe no longer arrive from Medora,

the reason is understood. "If you want to find out a thing," Mrs. Rycliffe says, sagely, as she rocks the little one to sleep, "find it